

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**IN RE: Yasmin and YAZ(Drospirenone)
Marketing, Sales Practices and Products
Liability Litigation**

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) **3:09-md-02100-DRH-SCW**
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) **MDL No. 2100**
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MINUTES OF STATUS CONFERENCE

PRESIDING: CHIEF JUDGE DAVID R. HERNDON

DATE: September 29, 2014 **COURT REPORTER:** Laura Esposito

PLACE: East St. Louis, Illinois **COURTROOM DEPUTY:** Caitlin Fischer

APPEARING FOR PLAINTIFFS: Mark R. Neimeyer, Michael London, Michael Burg, Roger C. Denton, Seth Katz,

APPEARING FOR DEFENDANTS: Jonathan Galvin, Susan Weber, Prentiss Hallenbeck Jr., Lisa Floro, Gary McConnell, Kaspar Stoffelmeyer

TIME: 2:00 PM – 2:15 PM

Court met with lead and liaison counsel prior to the hearing today.

Sylvius Von Saucken speaks on behalf of Garretson Group. He informs the court that over 70% of claimants in Group 1 have been paid. They are hoping to resolve the rest by the end of October. He reports that Medicare liens should be resolved by the end of 2014. Medicare liens will be taken care of first, then Medicaid, and then private liens. Michael Burg states that the settlement has been funded and in place for some time and asks Garretson if they can attribute more resources to the settlement program. Mr. Von Saucken states that adding more resources is something Garretson is working on.

Michael Burg states that substantial progress is being made to resolve VTE cases. Kaspar Stoffelmeyer states that over 9,000 VTE cases have been resolved and settled.

As for fact discovery, 2.5 million pages have been produced and they are continuing to move forward in obtaining more. Depositions are scheduled for October and November.

ATE and PFO bellwether case selection process is also moving forward and parties hope to have everything resolved by the next status conference. Defendants hope to have an amended CMO to the Court by then as well.

The Barr/Teva motion is rendered moot by the Court.

Next status conference set for **October 24, 2014** at **4:30 PM**.